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COMMENT

Subject: Comment on Proposed Amendments to 20 CFR part 901, Relating to Enrolled Actuaries This comment pertains to proposed §901.20(b)(3), which states: "An enrolled actuary, upon learning of another enrolled actuary's material violation of this section, shall report violation to the Executive Director." I recommend (i) that the following or similar words be inserted at the end of the subsection "unless exempt in accordance with subsection (4), below"; (ii) that subsection (4) state that enrolled actuaries are exempt from the mandatory reporting requirement if they fall within specific categories; and (iii) that subsection (4) list legitimate bases on which enrolled actuaries are exempt from the requirement. One category of exemption would be "if enrolled actuary is prohibited by law from reporting the violation." Another category would be "if the enrolled actuary was made aware of the other enrolled actuary's material violation through the potential reporting actuary's role in the discipline process of an incorporated organization." This exemption is requested because an enrolled actuary who learns of an apparent material violation as a result of such actuary's participation as an appointed discipline committee/board member or investigator or transmitter of proposed findings to a discipline committee will typically be prohibited from disclosing the violation outside channels prescribed by organization. Disclosure outside said channels would violate the organization's confidentiality rules, arguably damage the reported actuary without according due process established by the organization, and subject the reporting actuary and the organization to potential liability. The second proposed exemption above would include enrolled actuaries who are discipline committee or discipline board members; appointed investigators; executive directors, presidents, or other staff responsible for transmitting discipline committee report